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Corps to Dredge Part of Elk River

HUNTINGTON, WV....The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will begin dredging near the mouth of the Elk River on or about August 1. The work is needed to maintain the navigation channel of the Elk River.

There are two steps to the process. First, two marine cranes fitted with clamshell buckets will dredge sand (along with some mud and leaves) and place the material in hopper barges. Then the barges will transport the dredged material to a disposal site outside the navigation channel in the Kanawha River. The disposal area is approximately 2500 feet downstream of the Elk River on the right descending bank.

The dredging will continue up the river for 2.5 miles, and is expected to take 10 to 14 days to complete. Working hours for the dredge are from 6:00am to midnight seven days a week. The work will be done by the Corps' contractor, Madison Coal & Supply of Charleston, W.Va.

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